

Obituaries

Mary Emma Finch

Funeral services for Mary Emma Finch, 77, of 1626 W. 254th St., Harbor City, will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel with Rev. Howard Rosine officiating.

Mrs. Finch is survived by four sons, Floyd and Lloyd of Wilmington, Adrian of Harbor City, and Boyd of Arkansas; and three daughters, Mrs. Debra Davis of Harbor City, Mrs. Faye Davis of Garden Grove, and Mrs. Joy Clements of Wilmington; and 16 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

Frank Howe

Funeral services for Frank Howe, 63, of 1906 W. 222nd St., will be held at Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel tomorrow at 2 p.m. with Rev. C. Miles Notthrup, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Torrance, officiating.

He was a member of VFW Post 3251, the American Legion, and Disabled American Veterans Post 92.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Florence Howe, and one sister, Miss Georgia Howe of Columbus, Ohio.

Maria Lopez

Funeral mass for Maria Lopez, 85, daughter of early California pioneers, will be celebrated at St. James Catholic Church in Redondo Beach this morning. Rosary was recited at Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel the evening before with Rev. John B. McKenna officiating.

A resident of 2622 Vanderbilt Lane, she is survived by a niece, Mrs. Mary Riehl, in Los Angeles, and a number of nieces and nephews throughout the West, but is the last surviving member of her immediate family.

Burial was in Wilmington Cemetery.

Olephine M. Strand

Funeral services for Mrs. Olephine Marie Strand, 80, of 2107 Andros Ave., were held at Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel yesterday afternoon following her death Tuesday in Artesia.

She is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Doris George of Torrance, Mrs. Ruby Davies, Mrs. Stella Ewing and Mrs. Dagmar Riben of Minnesota, and Mrs. Vera Forrest of Michigan; and two sons, Clifford Strand of Richmond, Calif., and

School Board

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Mewborn said the school officials are trying to work a zoning schedule that will be most acceptable to the majority of Torrance residents.

The board indicated it will take action on the proposed boundaries in the near future. Tomei Construction Co. was awarded the contract for site development for the new South High School. The company presented a low bid of \$170,000.

Awarding of the contract for construction of Edison Elementary School also was on the agenda. Hahn Construction Co. got the job for a low bid of \$399,400.

Work is to begin immediately on the two sites, officials added.

Dr. Sherman Strand of Santa Monica.

Following services yesterday, which were conducted by Rev. Paul Wenske, pastor of the First Lutheran Church of Torrance, the body was shipped to St. Peters, Minn., for final arrangements.

BRITON TO SPEAK TO ROTARY TONIGHT

Cmdr. Basil Bleck, information officer at the British Consulate-General's office in Los Angeles, will speak to members of the Torrance Rotary Club tonight, giving Britain's position on a number of areas of controversy in world affairs of today.

Commander Bleck is a graduate of Cambridge University and served as General Counsel to Alexander Korla films before World War II, and served as British Naval Liaison Officer to General deGaulle during the war.

His appearance here was arranged by Reed H. Parkin of Oak Aircraft.

Grand Opening Slated For Gardena Motors

Gardena Motors, at 16317 S. Vermont Ave., a Gardena, will hold a grand opening celebration tomorrow, May 4, it was announced yesterday.

The new agency, operated by George Engle and Ed Sanders, will feature quality used cars with as little as \$5 down, Engle and Sanders stated.

SUFFRAGE DATE
All women of the U.S. were able to vote in a national election for the first time in 1920.

LITTLE VALUE
The pearls found in American oysters usually have little commercial value.

City Orders 65 New Stop Signs Posted on Corners

Sixty-five new stop signs are due to make their appearance on Torrance intersections in the near future as the result of action by the City Council here this week. All of the signs were recommended to the Council by Police Chief Willard Haslam following a survey of the city made to get some through streets.

Major portion of the signs will be placed at roads entering heavily traveled arteries such as Torrance Blvd., Crenshaw, Palos Verdes Drive, Sepulveda, Carson St. and Anza.

Other matters before the Council this week included the following: Permission for Little League parade downtown Saturday approved for auto caravans only.

Police Chief Haslam and Policewoman R. R. Ryan granted permission to attend conferences in San Diego May 21-23.

Annual City of Hope door-to-door campaign for funds on June 30 approved.

Request of Southwest Park Civic Assn. for improvements to the park in the area referred to Park and Recreation Commission.

Request of American Little League to operate concession stand at Torrance's Little League and Babe Ruth headquarters at Plaza Del Amor near Western Ave. approved subject to completion of agreement acceptable by City Attorney Hall.

Claim for damages to property in the January heavy rains filed against the city by Everett L. and Juanita J. Smith, 23037 Samuel St., in the amount of \$13,000 denied and referred to the City Attorney.

Request for statement from City of Torrance for Assembly Interim Committee on Marine Affairs hearing on harbors of Santa Monica Bay to include nuisance and pollution referred to City Attorney Hall for recommendation.

Protest of Autolift Doors of El Segundo on city policy against prorating of city business licenses held for study after City Manager Stevens reported that city was forcing a lot of "Sunday contractors" to skirt the city regulations by requiring a full year's license fee for any portion of a year. The Council has under study a recommendation to consider quarterly pro-rata payments of license fees. Thus a firm securing a license late in the year would pay one for the remaining quarters.

Council approved informal meeting with Coordinating Council of City Employees next week and also voted to recognize the group as representing approximately 90 per cent of the city employees with the approval of union locals involved.

Council voted to waive requirement that Pat Palmieri, doing business as Boston Sea Food Market at 3858 Redondo Beach Blvd., provide curbs, gutters, and sidewalks before issuance of business license on grounds that the building permit for remodeling of the business had been granted prior to the enactment of the ordinance requiring such facilities.

Purchase of new electric typewriter for Police Department and new motor for fire engine approved on recommendation of City Manager Stevens. Council also approved final payment for new 750-gallon pumper delivered recently.

Variance for E. E. Marsh to construct a Post Office building on Torrance Blvd. between Arnie and Madrona approved.

Request of Bekin's Van and Storage Co. for variance to permit storage of household goods and transfer station on east side of Hawthorne Ave. between 227th St. and 230th St. approved.

Repair of damage to hillsides along Portobello Drive in Victoria Knolls at a cost not to exceed \$600 approved. A bill for the costs to be sent to subdivider when completed.

Hearing on adoption of Uniform Plumbing Code, 1955 Edition, set for 8 p.m., May 22.

Request of Mental Health Foundation for permission to engage in fund-raising activities here held over for study.

Ordinance 803, setting new requirements for cuts, fills, re-filling and excavations, adopted at second and final reading.

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